

HB 1953 - DIGEST

Provides that a county legislative authority may request inclusion in the cougar control pilot project authorized by chapter 264, Laws of 2004 after taking the following actions: (1) Adopting a resolution that requests inclusion in the pilot project;

(2) Documenting the need to participate in the pilot project by identifying the number of cougar/human encounters and livestock and pet depredations; and

(3) Demonstrating that existing cougar depredation permits, public safety cougar hunts, or other existing wildlife management tools have not been sufficient to deal with cougar incidents in the county.